

## STRONG DEFENSE FOR JOE

Many Reputable People Testify for Defendant in the Murder Case.

## EVIDENCE FOR THE PEOPLE REFUTED

Crowds Continue to Flock to the Court House to Hear All of the Testimony.

Katie Smock Was Not in Decatur on July 3, and the Wissen Girls Were Not at the Bauer Residence That Night--End of the Trial Not in Sight.

Testimony for the defense in the Maury case is still being introduced. Quite a number of witnesses were introduced this morning and among them was George Tucker, who walked up town with Vanquish. He testified that he did not see anyone on Franklin street and that he and Vanquish were a block away when they heard the shooting.

In the account of the proceedings in yesterday's paper there was an error in the testimony of Mr. Day of Moweaqua. The direct examination and the cross examination was not properly separated and appeared to all come under the head of direct examination, whereas a portion of it was cross examination.

**Thursday Afternoon.**  
Evidence for the defense offered after the Republican went to press last evening:  
**W. G. COLVER.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Live at Moweaqua, was a school teacher, now police magistrate and restaurant keeper. Know Pleasant Forner. His reputation for truth and veracity is very bad.  
Cross examined by Mr. Cren—Suppose I heard Forner's reputation discussed for a month. Yes, I know of a man who spoke of it in three months. Yes, I know of two men. One was C. F. Gaskell, who said that he would not believe him on oath. I can't say what we were talking about at the time. It was something about work in the church. Gaskell said he would not believe him at all. Can't say I heard give other names of persons who have spoken of it for six months, a year or two years.  
**J. E. CORRINGTON.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Lived at Moweaqua and have been a merchant for 11 years and know Pleasant Forner. Know his reputation for truth and veracity. It is bad.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—Have a good deal and know a good deal about Forner. Heard of it before the past two weeks. Can't say who I heard talk about it. Think Forner has been living at Moweaqua eight or nine years. Can't remember names but heard conversations in my store, but can't swear to when or what was said. Know his reputation from what I have heard and from business dealings with him.  
**W. O. RICHBERT.**  
Examined by Mr. Buckingham—Am a butcher and have been at Moweaqua for five years. Know Pleasant Forner. Have known him for five years, and know his general reputation for truth and veracity. Yes, sir, it is bad.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—Heard his reputation discussed for three years. Can't mention names but heard several talk of it three years ago. Can't give you names of those who talked three years ago. One was E. O. Smith. That was within six months. It took place in Moweaqua.  
**E. A. BAGGETT.**  
Examined by Mr. Buckingham—Lived at Moweaqua for eight years and before that in Moultrie near Bethany for 10 or 12 years. Know Pleasant Forner at both places. Know him all the time I lived at Bethany. Left there about 1880. Know his general reputation for truth and veracity. It was bad. Moved to Moweaqua and Pleasant came there soon after. I think. His reputation for truth there is bad.  
Cross examined by Mr. Mills—Know him 12 or 13 years in Moultrie county. I was a school teacher. He lived at several places during that time. I taught in the neighborhood that he lived in. Taught eight or ten years. Had no trouble with Pleasant Forner and heard his reputation talked of in a general way but can't specify names.  
**W. G. MCLELLAN.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Am a deputy sheriff and knew Pleasant Forner for three or four years. Know his general reputation for truth and veracity. It is bad. Think I heard it talked of prior to a month ago. Heard it talked of since and from that talk believe it is bad.  
Cross examined by Mr. Mills—Know Pleasant Forner three or four years and have worked with the same people and associates of his. Could not name any particular person who talked of his reputation prior to his connections with the case.  
**JAMES SHEPHERD.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Lived at Moweaqua 22 years and know Pleasant Forner for nine or ten years. Know him before he moved there. Know his general reputation for truth prior to a month ago. It was bad. Heard it discussed since. It is bad.  
Cross examined by Mr. Mills—Prior to this case I can't recall the names of a single person who talked of his reputation but have heard many talk about him.  
**ELIAS HAMPTON.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Live here but formerly lived near Sullivan. Came here in 1885. Knew Pleasant Forner and know his general reputation for truth. It was not very good.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—Came here from Bethany 13 years ago. Know Pleasant Forner since then and don't know where he lived part of the time in the last eight years. His reputation is not good. Did not mingle with his neighbors and friends. In Moultrie county mingled with his associates and his class of society.  
**J. W. HARTMAN.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Lived at Moweaqua three or four months and knew Pleasant Forner for six weeks or more. Know his general reputation from the current talk. It is not very good.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—Know what some of his associates think of him. General opinion is not in his favor. The first I heard of him questioned was two weeks ago by several persons but I can't name any. Heard H. F. Day and Kizer and others whose names I can't recall right now. Can't recall any talk of him in the past three months in particular.  
In reply to Attorney Buckingham the witness said Mr. Kizer was a druggist.  
Replying to Attorney Leforgee he said that the conversation was not about the liquor prosecution of Kizer, in which Forner was the prosecuting witness.  
**BENA BAUER.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—I am 22 years old and my father is H. Bauer. My mother is Marie Bauer. In July, 1889, I lived at 320 East Main street. I have a sister, Minnie Bauer, and knew the Rehling family. They lived on Franklin street in 1889. We lived on the alley running north and south, one-half block to Franklin street. There was a cross path between our house and Rehlings. I knew Laura and Josephine Wissen (now Mrs. Showers), daughters of Joe Wissen. Think they lived at 318 South Franklin street. Heard of the killing of Mat McKinley. Was at home at the time. Know Katie Smock. On that night the Wisens did not take supper at our house and were not there at all. I was not with them at all. Was not on Franklin when the shot was fired. Was at home at the time. Minnie, my sister, was at home, as were my parents. I did not go with the Wissen girls. Did not see them that night at all. First heard of the shooting by Louis Rehling who came to our store and told

us. We went around five or ten minutes after. At the time it occurred I was not with the Wisens near Wood and Franklin streets. I was not with Katie Smock that night. I certainly was not with her.

Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—Yes, I remember the night distinctly. We had supper usually at 6.30 o'clock. Sister and I went to Kate Rehling's after supper. Yes, sir, you understand me to say that I was not with the Wisens. I was in the store the next morning and I know John Alloway. I did not tell him I was on the street and my father did not tell me to shut up or I would get myself in trouble. It was five or ten minutes after we went home that we heard of the killing. I went home alone and my sister came after a few minutes. I judge that she remained a few minutes longer than I did. She wanted to go around by the street so that I finally went by myself and she finally came the same way. (Objection was made to the question, "why did you not go home together," and the objection was sustained.)  
Re-direct examination by Mr. Buckingham—I was in the house but a short time when the shot was fired and then Louis Rehling came and told us that a man had been killed. We all went over there together when we heard the news.  
**MRS. HENRY BAUER.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—I am the mother of Minnie and Bena Bauer and the wife of Henry Bauer. In 1889 we lived on East Main, a half block from Franklin. He was a grocer. We lived back of the store. I know the Rehling family. I know Emma Rehling and Louis Rehling. Heard of the shooting from Louis Rehling, who came and told us. I know Josephine Wissen and Laura Wissen. They lived on Franklin and they were not at my house. Did not take supper or help wash the dishes on the night of July 3, 1889, and then go out with my daughters. I know Katie Smock, but she was not there on that night. My daughters did not go away that night with the Wisens. My daughters went to Rehlings right after supper and came back just before 9 o'clock. The Wisens and the Smock girls were not with them. My girls were in my house when we heard the shot. When we heard the shot Bena was in the house. The Wissen girls were not there and had not been there.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—I remember the girls leaving the house at 7 o'clock. Remember of their going to Rehlings. They told me they went to Rehlings, that's how I know it. (Objection sustained as to where they were between 7 and 9 o'clock.) Bena came home first and Minnie came in a few minutes later. Bena was in the house before 9 o'clock, probably five or ten minutes before 9 o'clock. No, there was nothing particular to impress this on my mind.  
Re-direct by Mr. Buckingham—I do know they were both home when the shot was fired.  
**KATIE SMOCK.**  
Examined by Mr. Buckingham—I am 22 years old and live at 426 East Main street. That's east of Bauer's on the north side and the second house west of the oil mill. We kept a boarding house. On the evening of July 3, 1889, I was in Indianapolis. I can't say where I went exactly. Was there most of the summer.  
Cross examined by Mr. Cren—Can't say when I came back. Was there with my uncle and aunt, Jesse Brown. Can't give their residence, don't know the street. I have no idea as to how long I stayed. Don't know whether I was there six months or two years. Yes, sir, I do know I was there July 3, 1889.  
**JOHN GIBLIN.**  
Examined by Mr. Buckingham—If I live until July 4, I'll be 63 years old. Have lived here 43 years. Am a contractor in paving. Was up town on July 3, 1889. Had a paving contract on East North street at the time but don't remember having any up town here. Know John Brewer. Met him near the corner of Main and Franklin streets that night when I was on the way home. He worked for me. We stopped and talked some four or five minutes. Heard something like a fire crackle and then a louder report. Sounded like a pistol and I said that they were celebrating my birthday early. Saw a man running from the south. Came into Main street and then turned a little south. When I got to the scene of the shooting there were 25 or 30 persons there. I learned that a man had been shot. The man was leaning against the barn, but I could not recognize him. It was not so very dark nor so very light. Did not notice any one on Main street until we got to the alley. People were then coming and going from the spot. Could not tell how the man was dressed. The man I saw running was going immediately north. After he got to Main street, I think that he turned a little to the south. Could not say as to his size or his dress. Don't know that he was in his shirt sleeves or had on a coat. I saw a lantern in use at the scene of the shooting. Was there when the doctor pro-

nounced the man dead. Did not see John Maury or Joe Maury. Don't remember of having seen a man standing north of there. It was after 9 o'clock. Did not stay there but a few minutes and went straight north to Eldorado, looked at my watch when near the McRoberts building and saw that it was 9.15.  
Cross examination by Mr. Cren—The Grindol building is about 70 feet long running north and south. This man was running north and saw him in the middle of Main street. He turned a little south after reaching Main and I last saw him when he was a little west of the Grindol building. Did not see him meet any one and don't know where he went. When we got to the alley there were 25 or 30 persons there. Think three minutes might have elapsed before we got there. Some one said a man had been shot and I said: "Is he dead?" and they said, "No," and I said: "He soon will be if you don't stand back and give him air." I know nothing about the lights that night.  
Re-direct examination by Mr. Buckingham—The man I saw was running fast. (Attorney Leforgee objected to this last question, but was overruled.)  
**MRS. SMOCK.**  
Examined by Mr. Buckingham—My name is Mrs. Maliss Smock and we keep a boarding house on East Main street and were engaged in that business on the night of July 3, 1889. On that night my daughter was in Indianapolis. She was sent there after school closed and remained until just before school reopened in the fall. She was not in Decatur on the night that Mat McKinley was murdered.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—I remember where the members of my family were that night. We were near the Bauer grocery when Louis Rehling brought the news of the shooting. The Wissen girls were not at our house that night. Did not see them at the Bauer store. I know nothing about them or where they were. I have only one daughter. Don't know of any memorandum concerning her visit to Indianapolis but do know that she was at Indianapolis on that night. We have talked about this in our own family, but to no one else. The attorneys did not talk to us until yesterday. I know that it was not true when the Wissen girls first told that story.  
Attorney Buckingham asked the witness who she saw at the Bauer store on July 3 and the witness said Henry Bauer, and to Attorney Leforgee she replied that she had just reached the store when the Rehling boy came with the news.  
**Friday, March 25--Forenoon.**  
There were a few minutes delay in starting the proceedings this morning after court opened. The attendance was as large as usual. The first witness was called at 9.15.  
**D. W. PRICE.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Lived at Oakland, Ill., in 1895. Know John and Joe Maury. In 1895 the Maury were building a house and barn and I was furnishing the lumber. Joe was hauling the lumber. By referring to my books I know that I saw Joe Maury on September 12. The farm was about four miles out of Oakland and Joe hauled all of the lumber for the house and barn that they were building. I had a conversation with Maury in regard to some siding.  
Cross examination by Mr. Leforgee—Am unable to say when the lumber was furnished without referring to my books. I don't know where he was the rest of the day, whether after he got the lumber he was in Oakland or Decatur.  
Re-direct examination by Mr. Johns—Oakland is on the Vandalla. There are two trains from and two trains to Oakland every day. I have no independent recollection of having seen Maury after he got the lumber in the forenoon.  
**GEORGE WASHINGTON BUNDY.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—Worked for Mr. Price at his lumber yard in Oakland in 1895. Know John and Joe Maury. They built a house and barn near Oakland in 1895. They commenced hauling lumber in September. A man named Kincaid was building the house. By referring to the books yesterday morning I know he was there on September 12. I think by the amount of lumber that he must have taken in it two loads.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—Am not sure whether or not the lumber was taken in two loads, but think it was. Have not talked to anyone about it. I don't know of any personal knowledge whether the entry was made on September 12 or not. I don't know where Joe Maury spent the rest of the day after he got the lumber.  
**MRS. DELLA ROBERTS.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—I live in Decatur and lived in the city in July, 1889. I lived at 235 East Main street. The building is on the south side of East Main. On the evening of the 3rd of July I saw a man come around Grindol's corner. He wore a plow hat. When I heard the shot fired I went to the window and saw this man coming around the corner. I saw the man again in, about a

week. When I heard the shot I was in the front room. It was quite a large room and the front windows were open. When I heard the shot immediately went to the window and saw the man. I think it was about five minutes from the time the shot was fired till I saw the man at the window. (Mr. Johns wanted the witness to indicate with his watch how long it took her to go to the window, but Mr. Leforgee objected. The examination continued as follows:  
Q.—Did you see the man later?  
A.—Yes.  
Q.—Did you recognize him as the same man you saw that night?  
A.—Yes.  
Q.—Did you learn who the man was?  
A.—Yes.  
Q.—Who was it?  
A.—It was Mat Grindol.  
The attorneys for the prosecution did not cross examine the witness.  
**HENRY SMOCK.**  
Examined by Mr. Johns—My daughter, Katie Smock, was not in Decatur on July 3, 1889. I think that she was in Indianapolis. On that night I was in front of Bauer's grocery store when a boy ran to the corner of Main and Franklin streets and said that a man had been shot. I went down to where the man was shot. I think I saw Barney McKinley there. I passed a number of persons as I went down there.  
Cross examined by Mr. Cren—My daughter went to Indianapolis every summer for several years. I think she went in 1890. I don't think she went in 1889. I think she went in 1891 and 1892. In 1890 she went just after school was out. The only reason I remember that she went just after school is that we were running a boarding house and had a good many boarders and wanted to send her away. There is no particular reason why I remember that my daughter went away after school was out in 1889.  
**BENA BAUER.**  
Examined by Mr. Buckingham—In July of 1889 I remember that I was not friendly with Katie Smock as we had a quarrel before school stopped for the summer. I am sure of this because I was in the fifth grade and I was 13 years old. The night of the 3rd when I went home from Mrs. Rehling's house I saw a man standing at the corner of Main and Franklin street. He was leaning against the corner of the house and said good evening.  
Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—Before the shooting there was nothing to make me pay special attention to anything. I did not have occasion to think of having any connection with the case until three months ago.  
Re-direct examination—Remember of talking about the case to a lawyer and to a reporter after the shooting.  
**HENRY BAUER.**  
Examined by Mr. Buckingham—Bena Bauer is my daughter. On the night of July 3, 1889, I was in front of my store. I had been at home all day. The Wissen girls were not at my house that evening for supper and they had not been there all day. My daughters were at the house at the time of the shooting. Lou Rehling came to my store and said someone was shot. Frank Plummer and Henry Myer walked in front of myself and Lou Rehling as we went to the place where the shooting occurred. Dr. McCall walked with Plummer and Myer. I saw no one on the sidewalk until we got to the alley. Mat McKinley was leaning against the barn and his head was resting in his hands. I could not see his face without a light when I was standing within a foot of him. The night was such that one would have to be very close to recognize a man and tell whether he was black or white. Mrs. Grindol and Mrs. Smith, both of whom I knew, I did not recognize when I was within a few feet of them. I did not know who they were until I asked and I was well acquainted with them. I remember of seeing a lantern there but don't know who had it. I don't remember of seeing any officer or John or Joe Maury there.  
Q.—Do you remember being out with us that night?  
A.—Yes.  
Q.—Do you remember of my standing at the alley where the shooting occurred and you standing at McWitty's home?  
A.—Yes.  
Q.—You may state if there was an arrow light at the corner of Main and Franklin and at the corner of Wood and Franklin street.  
A.—There was.  
Q.—Could you recognize me as I stood at the alley?  
A.—No, I could not.  
Q.—Do you remember a man approaching us from the north?  
A.—Yes.  
Q.—How near did that man come before you could recognize him?  
A.—Three or four feet.  
The witness further testified that near other light it was impossible to recognize people a short distance away.

## CAUSE-A-MINE

Such is the Report of Court of Inquiry.

## CONGRESS TO ACT

Secretary Long and Commander Marx With President.

Nothing Further Can be Given Out Until Monday Next--Spanish Cabinet Calls for More Time to Compare Notes--Crisis at Hand.

Washington, March 25.—Lieutenant Commander Marx left the hotel at 9 o'clock this morning and a few minutes later, accompanied by Lieutenant Janggen, entered the office of the secretary of the navy and delivered to Secretary Long the report of the Maine court of inquiry. After some formalities the secretary and Lieutenant Marx proceeded to the white house and at 9.45 a. m. the document was delivered to the president.

As the secretary and Lieutenant Commander Marx emerged from the secretary's office to go to the white house, Secretary Long cordially greeted the group of newspaper correspondents and remarked that he had not opened the report and knew nothing more than they did of its contents. Then he and Lieutenant Marx passed into the navy department brougham and were driven to the white house. They did not go direct to the president's office, but passed through to the private corridor on the first floor, thence to the blue room to await the president. A few minutes later the secretary and Lieutenant Marx joined the president in the library and the report was formally delivered to the chief executive.

Commodore Winfield Scott Schley, at present connected with the Lighthouse board, has been ordered to the command of the flying squadron at Hampton Roads with the Brooklyn as the flagship. His command at present consists of three vessels, the Brooklyn, Columbia and Minneapolis, all ocean grayhounds, but in a short time the squadron will probably be swelled to a dozen ships. Commodore Schley has a record for discretion, good judgment and fighting qualities. He was in command of the Baltimore when the Chilean trouble threatened to end in war and had a peaceful termination, it is believed, due largely to his tact and discretion.

It Was a Sub Marine Mine.

The board of inquiry finds that the explosion which destroyed the Maine came from outside, but does not fix the responsibility for the disaster. It does not express opinion as to the character of the explosive, but the testimony goes to show that it was a powerful mine the exact character of which was not determined by the testimony though the belief was expressed that it was what is known as a floating submarine mine. The board finds that there were two explosions. The first from the outside, which set off one of the smaller magazines.

Secretary Long and Lieutenant Commander Marx remained until the members of the cabinet appeared, when the former went into the cabinet room while Lieutenant Marx remained in an adjoining apartment subject to call. The report of the board was gone over carefully and a general discussion of its leading features followed. Lieutenant Marx was called in to answer questions and explain some matters not fully covered by the report. The meeting lasted until after 1 p. m. After the adjournment the members declared that no further statement would be made until the contents of

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER

## "C 45."

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PART I.

A small penitential party was doing shot drill within the four towering walls of a military prison, not owing to certain repairs—on the spot usually assigned for that purpose, but in a space abutting on the quarters of inferior officials.

This operation is performed by such hardened villains as have manifested their villainy by a disinclination to work and an inclination to swear.

As a further instance of prison perversity, the depraved and melancholy squad were mostly pale. And of them Murphy was the palest, the sulkier and, taking him in prison perspective, the worst. He had formerly been admired through the cell walls by his fellows for his powers of howling at abnormal hours and knocking his furniture about, but since he had made acquaintance with a certain penal instrument, he had become less popular because less entertaining. Yet his gifts were still existent, only diverted, and had the grandeur of his present ideal been known to his brother rascals, many would have admired him more than ever. This ideal was nothing less than the getting his own special guardian officer, Parr, by the scruff of the neck and returning to him, with any little extras which the happy moment might inspire, that which Parr had caused Murphy himself to suffer.

Parr and Murphy were always at odds. They acted uncomfortably on one another's tempers and nerves, as men do in clubs and messes, without exactly knowing why. In clubs and messes, however, men can get away from each other, but a prisoner and his warder cannot. Friends or foes, wet or fine, sad or gay, C 45 and the officer presiding over his corridor must needs have a prolonged, if formal and fitful, companionship.

Therefore the pair of foes saw a great deal too much of each other for their mutual comfort and improvement. To endeavor to cow a fellow creature, whether you fail or succeed, is not in the long run really pleasanter than to endeavor not to be cowed.

Parr and Murphy, as the two largest men in the prison, were occasionally, to the former's disgust, playfully compared in the warders' mess. The likeness ended there. Parr was aggressive, clear-skinned and ruddy, with the round blue eyes of a superlatively good baby, bright red hair, beautifully parted, and a solid unmoved Savon physiognomy. A well-made man in spite of his height, and clean and neat to a miracle, as a soldier, he had taken every possible prize for marching order competitions and the like. He was utterly incapable of insubordination, so-called, but had, nevertheless, as many a young or careless officer has learned to his cost, a stolid respectfulness of getting his own way in the long run.

Now in Murphy, size ran to slovenliness. He possessed enormous hands, knock-knees, in spite of much drill, and aplay feet. His features were long and heavy, his hopelessly inaccurate nose had a sideling twist, his hair was black stubble; in his eyes lurked the dull cogitative gleam of a vicious mule. As a heavy dragon, he had been the disgust and despair of his superiors for all his regimental life, except one brief and amazing interval. This was when, for a few months, a certain O'Neale, exchanging from another regiment, became a lieutenant in Murphy's squadron. He was an Irishman, too, but of a very different pattern; a little fellow with wheedling blue eyes and a tongue soft as a woman's. For those few signal months he twisted the large bulk and the small mind—more difficult of the two—of Murphy the incorrigible round his slim finger. But he took Indian fever and died. During his brief illness, Murphy spent every spare moment—many he had no right to spare—prowling about where he had no right to be, to get news of his demi-god. Till the funeral he moped aimlessly around, with his shoulders up to his ears and his heavy lip hanging; and immediately after, had a most tremendous burst, exceeding every previous effort in that direction.

Yet the reflective reader will gather from this narrative that, if Murphy had been born, say, a dairyman, or a duke, he might actually and not undeservedly have possessed an average character. His sins were, after all, of a conventional and local nature, or else artificially produced by a mistake in his choice of a career. For instance, his present tribulation arose from the fact that he had sworn vigorously at Parr. Murphy himself had heard many of his officers, both out of and in prison, blaspheme. When, therefore, his ebullience was greeted by an award of shot drill, he complained inly of injustice; though, no doubt, if he had been the warder, and Parr the prisoner, they might have exchanged views. It all depends on the point of view. But this opens the way to dangerous and leveling theories.

Parr was just then separated from his Murphy, and feeling a want or craving in his elementary mind in consequence. Murphy, on the other hand, experienced the relief of a calmer atmosphere; for, though the warder superintending the shot drill was actually a more irritable person than Parr, he lacked that aspect of superior virtue which so aggravated C 45. Murphy,

then, marched and counter-marched, alternately shouted and shotless, inscribing, I fear, a multiplied vocabulary of oaths on the tablet within. Human punishment, unless meted out exactly on the divine pattern, is apt to drive in, rather than drive out evil.

The sky, which had been gloomy, had just vouchsafed a pale smile of sunlight, when an unexpected incident occurred. Within the liberties of that prison—which sounds anomalous—one or two married warders were accommodated; amongst them, Parr. There was, of course, no communication whatever between the disciplinary and



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the domestic quarters. Nevertheless, as Murphy for the hundredth time put down and lifted up his shot, an apparition appeared, as improbable in that scene of discipline as a look of human brotherhood or a gentle word admitting possible community of guilt. Murphy forgot the usual ache in his back and his head, which a recent experience of bread and water diet had heightened, as the thing—this was exactly how he expressed it in his own mind—fluttered down. It came, in fact, from the married warders' quarters alluded to, and had no right whatever near the wild beast show.

It was a little girl. She stood in a sort of butterfly attitude just alighted, as it were, poised on the very points of her small feet, with her hands clasped, a halo of silvery flaxen hair waving about her pale face in the breeze of her own intense astonishment; her big sea-blue eyes, bigger even than nature had made them, riveted on the strange, formal game at ball which the players seemed to enjoy so little. She was not exactly pretty, having a pinched look, and eyes all too wide, as if they explored a wider world than this. Her head, on its slender flower-stem of a throat, was drawn just a little aside by a lilac scar. Her arms were very thin. But despite this, and an ugly frock of violet blue, every dull eye that caught a vision of her turned soft, for, at any rate, a second.

Some were quite capable of brutality originally, and had become more so while there, because the penal machine necessarily grinds harder on the underside. I am not sure of their reception of an angel; such a visitor, as belonging to the side of principalities and powers, might have inspired opposition, but this was different. This miniature phantom of delight had never been in prison before, having resided, for the benefit of her health, with a tender-hearted old granny in the country.

The little thing stood poised, glancing from one joyless face to the other, with varying mirth and gravity, like a fairy god-mother uncertain where to bestow her favors. Then suddenly, just as Murphy, with beads of perspiration above a heavier frown than usual, and a grunt like a resentful beast of burden, lifted his shot, she flitted forward and made a winged dart at him. She



THE LITTLE PIPING VOICE ADDRESSED HIM.

laid her tiny white shells of hands over his upon the big black ball, with an uncertain crow. There was a second's pause of amazement, during which the whole penal administration was actually arrested. Then the superintending warder, suppressing a grim smile at the exceeding humor of the fairy's choice, jogged his machine with a harsher word than usual. But the fairy would not move with it

or away from it, even when he said gruffly to her: "Get away, you."

Instead, she glanced up elvishly through her mist of fair hair, with a small silver laugh of defiance, while that link of the machine labeled C 45, probably bewitched, maintained a most painful stooping attitude, with his long neck and such part of his cheek as was visible, dark purple from the rush of blood, and his eyes staring out of his head as he contemplated the gravel.

The little piping voice addressed him.

"Pitty ball!" it remarked, conversationally. At the same time the warder adjured him. Murphy was torn between discipline and—what shall I say? What could a brutal, bad character like Murphy feel for a sickly infant? Nevertheless a voice issued from the black, bent stubble by which his cranium could be identified—an unheard-of, unknown voice—not Murphy's at all—which said, huskily:

"Now, honey, go to your mammy."

Even as he spoke, with a glint in his small eye sideways, a woman stooped down on the fairy and snatched her up with a cry of dismay.

"Why, you little hussy, whatever are you doing there? Them prisoners might have killed you!"

Murphy heard. He certainly looked murderous as he straightened himself. He seemed somehow bewildered at the superintending officer addressed him: "What were you up to, stopping like that?"

Murphy wiped his forehead with his great hand, as if he were wiping the incongruous incident away, and morosely resumed work.

"Don't know what business Parr has letting his bit of a child get among prisoners," the injured official growled.

Then a curious spark flickered in the eye of C 45, and he concluded his agreeable exercise quite mechanically, with an odd look of conflict on his malign countenance, and a still odder war of feelings in his heart, which said stupidly over and over again, with varied mental intonations:

"Parr's child. Parr's child!"

Gracious reader, it seems unlikely to you that so trivial an occurrence should awaken such a storm in such a breast; but probably you have never been shut up, with no other society—excepting always your own dull bad heart—than that of superior persons whose sole aim as regards yourself is to reform punitively, or, failing that, to cow and "break" you.

Murphy returned to his cell with something quite new to think of. True, he returned to the neighborhood of Parr, the sound of his solid and well-measured tread on the stones of the corridor, his neat military cough, his well-balanced pause exactly opposite the door within which dwelt the objectionable C 45. It was, however, Parr under a totally different aspect. The whole perspective of things between them had been readjusted.

## Age No Bar.

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Beware of the dry, tickling, hacking, morning cough, for it warns you that consumption lurks near. The famous Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure it. "I had a very bad cough. One doctor pronounced it consumption. I used Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and was completely cured; the cough left me and has never come back. Simon Smasal, 375 31st Street, Chicago, Ill." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs but 25 cents. Ask for Bull's, take only Bull's.

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- 5-inch Mousseline center, gauge and stripe border—
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- 4-inch Fancy Moire, colored stripes—
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- 5-inch Taffeta, changeable stripes—
- 5-inch Taffeta, black and white center, colored border—
- 5-inch Fancy Surah, satin stripe—
- 5-inch Black and White Plaid Taffetas—
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(My aim is to convince the public of my sincerity and of the true merits of this remedy.)

BENEFACTORS OF THE RACE,  
Office of "KINGFISHER TIMES,"  
Kingfisher, Okla., Dec. 12, '95.

GENTLEMEN—I believe it my duty to write you a line in regard to the beneficial effect of Phelps' "Four C Remedy," so far as I am personally concerned. A week ago last Thursday, I was taken with a severe attack of la grippe and in a short time became so hoarse I could not speak above a whisper. The night previous I coughed nearly the entire night; just before falling I took a teaspoonful, and slept the entire night as sweetly as ever I did in my life, not coughing once. I was entirely relieved before taking one bottle. Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure should be in every household in the land. I send you this wholly unhesitatingly as one of the greatest remedies of the race is giving it the antidote for some of the worst affections to which it is heir. Very truly yours,  
C. J. KESNITZ, Editor.

A MIRACLE.  
Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.  
"Last Friday, Dec. 19, my attending physician stated that unless I was better by morning I could do nothing for my relief. That night I commenced taking Phelps' "Four C Remedy," stopped all other medicines. The first dose stopped my cough; slept and rested well; a few more doses cured all sources from my lungs; the second day I was up; the third day I was out on the porch and today was up town purchasing holiday goods."

Mrs. JENNIE BARRETT,  
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GROUP CURED.  
One dose of Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure, gave my child instant relief when attacked with the croup.  
W. E. MOORE, of Moore Bros., Grocers,  
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UNBROKEN REST AT NIGHT.  
J. B. HULLING, Manager,  
Office Commercial Printing Co.,  
190 South Clark St.,  
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DEAR SIR:—I wish to bear testimony to the great efficacy of your "Four C Remedy" in throat and lung ailments. As a result of having skeptical of the merits of proprietary medicines, I have to confess that at a test of your "Four C" I was convinced that at least one ready-made remedy is worthy of use. My children all take it with the least objection, from oldest to youngest, and is particularly noticeable that both of our most immediate A. W. dose will check most coughs in their beginning; it gives an unbroken rest at night. In my family "Four C" is simply indispensable and I recommend it unhesitatingly.  
Yours,  
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For years back each winter I have suffered with acute laryngitis. Last winter was so bad I could not leave my room for two weeks and could not speak above a whisper. I tried every known cough preparation from cough drops up and down with no relief, then in desperation I was induced to try Phelps' "Four C." The first dose relieved my cough, giving me the first night's rest for weeks. Half the bottle cured me. I have never been without this wonderful remedy since. It is as different from the other remedies as molasses from vinegar or sugar from sand.  
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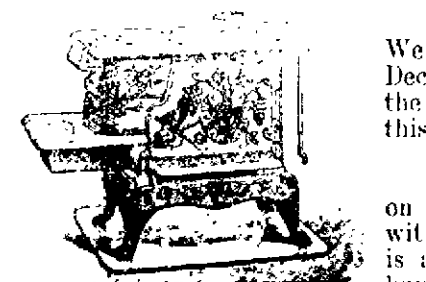
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Given Up by Four Doctors.  
Beaver Dam, O., Aug. 27, 1895.  
My daughter, after being treated by  
four doctors, and being given up for lost,  
a neighbor recommended Foley's Kidney  
Cure. To day she is able to walk, sev-  
eral miles without fatigue. I feel we  
would have lost her if it was not for  
your medicine.  
Respectfully,  
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### LOCAL NEWS.

Davis—Cabs 25c, Trunks 15c.

Regular meeting of Decatur Chapter  
111, O. E. S., this evening at 7:30 o'clock.  
Arnold's Bromo-Colony cure head-  
aches. 10, 25, 50 cts. Bell, the druggist.  
Don't insult a girl by begging her par-  
don after kissing her.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for garden  
seeds. They are now in receipt of large  
invoices of fresh seeds from the most reli-  
able houses in the country.—mi-d&w&w

There were 60 couples present last night  
at the S. of V. dance given at the Post  
hall. The ladies served refreshments.

The Reed & Son's piano is the leader in  
the west and is on sale at the C. B. Pres-  
cott music house. Call and see the in-  
struments. You will buy.

Mrs. Louise Rounds, the state presi-  
dent of the W. C. T. U., will be in the city  
next Sunday. She will preach at the tab-  
ernacle at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon  
and at the First Presbyterian church at  
7:30 p. m.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood  
pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps,  
chain pumps and pump repairing.—Mar-  
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Thousands of sufferers from gripe  
have been restored to health by One  
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coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia,  
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diseases. H. W. Bell.

The members of the Social Dancing  
club gave their last dance of the season  
last evening at the Guards' armory. The  
affair was in charge of Dr. L. E. Con-  
radt and it closed with a German led by  
Win Bramble.

The County Christian Endeavor rally  
held last night at the First M. E. church  
was well attended. Rev. S. H. Howyer  
gave the missionary address. The banner  
was awarded to the First M. E. church  
senior society and Grace Penwell received  
it. Miss Koapp announced the program  
for the county convention to be held  
March 31 and April 1.

Ike Reed says he did not steal that  
overcoat from Perry Davis, as has been  
stated, but that he bought the coat of Da-  
vis in I. R. Rogan's barber shop, about  
10 weeks ago. Reed also says he was in  
jail for being disorderly, and not for  
stealing a coat, or anything else.

The dog show will be open afternoons  
and evening. The Abbott hall will be  
lighted with an arc light in the middle of  
the ceiling. The Monitor band will pa-  
rade in the morning at 10:30 and will  
give a concert in the evening before the  
show. The judges will be W. S. McCliv-  
er, Galva, Ill., Earl Bowles, Normal,  
Ill., A. S. Kazar, Jimmy Neale and two  
others not yet appointed.

J. A. Fitzgerald was drunk again yester-  
day. He was arrested for being too  
full for attendance Wednesday but was re-  
leased. Yesterday he tried it again.  
This time he fell down a stairway in the  
Fenton block and the people in Bradley's  
store thought he had at least broken a  
leg or two if not his neck. The wagon  
was called and it was discovered that he  
was not hurt at all by his tumble. This  
time he will be held until he sees the er-  
ror of his ways or pays the city a little  
money for the fun he has been having in  
the past.

Beware of "Jointments" for Catarrh That  
Contain Mercury,  
as mercury will surely destroy the sense  
of smell and completely derange the  
whole system when entering it through  
the mucous surfaces. Such articles  
should never be used except on prescrip-  
tions from reputable physicians, as the  
damage they will do is ten fold to the  
good you can possibly derive from them.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by  
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains  
no mercury, and is taken internally, act-  
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surfaces of the system. In buying  
Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the  
genuine. It is taken internally and  
made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney  
& Co. Testimonial free.  
Sold by Druggists, price 75c per  
bottle.  
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

What! Mormons? Yes.

Seven elders of the Church of Jesus  
Christ of Latter Day Saints will lecture  
on the first principles of the Gospel and  
sing some of their famous hymns Friday  
evening, March 25 at 7:30 at Gebhart's  
hall. All invited. Seats free.

Don't strike a man below the belt—no  
less you are aiming at his pocketbook.

### HIGH WATER DAMAGE.

Slide of Earth at the St. Louis Rail-  
way Bridge.

Last evening at about 5 o'clock the  
south approach to the St. Louis bridge  
was rendered unsafe by a big slide of  
earth from under the track on the east  
side, caused by the undermining of the  
long standing high water. The slide was  
witnessed by Will Hammer, Bert Gher  
and Andrew Freeman, of the Millikin  
National Bank, who were out for a walk  
and to view the expanse of high water.  
The slide carried tons of earth, going  
with such force as to shatter a telegraph  
pole and crush willows. The Wabash  
railway officials were at once notified and  
no trains were permitted to pass over.  
A large force was at once engaged to repair  
the damage. Large timbers and carloads  
of cinders were used. Passenger trains  
in and out of Decatur were sent by way  
of Pana. Freight traffic was interrupted.

### OUR NEIGHBORS.

NOWEAKUA.

C. A. Jackson returned to his family in  
this city last Thursday after an absence  
of five years.

Nathaniel Ahl left Friday evening for  
a short visit with his son, Alex, at Tohes-  
port, Ind.

Mrs. Scott Gregory has taken charge of  
the Palace hotel and everyone predicts it  
will be run about right with her in  
charge.

Mrs. D. P. Keller and Miss Edna Rice  
attended the funeral of Grandmother Bul-  
lard in Decatur last Thursday.

Mrs. Thomas Hudson and daughter,  
Mrs. Will Morris, were shoppers in Decatur  
last Saturday.

Mrs. Duncan, who has been seriously  
ill for the past two months, is reported  
better.

Amos Imboden and Harry Midkiff of  
Decatur were here today.

Miss Dussie Ayers died last Thursday  
aged about 60 years. The funeral took  
place Saturday and the remains were in-  
terred in the Masonic cemetery southeast.

James Beard has purchased the Proctor  
property in the east part of town and will  
repair and paint and move there.

John Moran was in Decatur last Thurs-  
day.

Hugh Scott of Blue Mound visited over  
Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Ephraim  
Adams.

Miss Anita Snyder was in Decatur Sat-  
urday.

Miss Gertrude Beardsley visited rela-  
tives in Decatur Sunday.

H. F. Day, James Shepherd, M. H. Mil-  
ler, James Jarvis, George McClelland, J.  
E. Corrington, Frank Hunple, N. Z.  
Richhart, W. G. Colvert went to Decatur  
this evening as witnesses in the Manly  
murder trial.

Dan and Will Coultas are at Riggs-  
ton to attend the funeral of their father, who  
died of lung fever.

### Runaway Damage.

A corral horse attached to an old road  
cart belonging to a man named Glasner  
ran away yesterday on North Water street.  
The horse got up on the sidewalk in front  
of Meyer's furniture store and almost ran  
over Mrs. Graham, who was on the side-  
walk in front of the street. One wheel  
of the cart struck the north window and  
broke out the entire side nearest to the  
door. It will take about \$100 to pay for  
the glass. The horse fell as it attempt-  
ed to get off the walk south of the Mey-  
er's store, and was caught before it could  
do any further damage. The road cart  
was a total wreck. No one was in the  
rig and at the time of the runaway and  
no one is known to have been hurt,  
though Mrs. Graham had a very narrow  
escape.

### Entertained Friends.

Last evening Miss Alice Wood enter-  
tained a number of friends at the home of  
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A.  
Wood, on North Edward street. The  
evening was passed dancing and the Col-  
lege Hill mandolin orchestra rendered  
music.

### What! Mormons? Yes.

Seven elders of the Church of Jesus  
Christ of Latter Day Saints will lecture  
on the first principles of the Gospel and  
sing some of their famous hymns Friday  
evening, March 25 at 7:30 at Gebhart's  
hall. All invited. Seats free.

Don't strike a man below the belt—no  
less you are aiming at his pocketbook.

## CLAYPOOL DEAD

Run Over by a Flat Car in  
the Wabash Yard.

### A COAL MINER AT NIANTIC

Man Shockingly Mangled—Is Given  
Speedy Surgical Attention—Ex-  
pired at 6 O'clock This  
Morning.

Charles Claypool, Jr., of Niantic, was  
fatally injured last night by a switch en-  
gine No. 115 last night about 11 o'clock  
at the Jasper street crossing of the Wa-  
bash. The switch engine was shoving a  
car loaded with heavy bridge timbers.  
Claypool was intoxicated and was walk-  
ing down the track, and though the  
switchmen yelled at him he did not seem  
to hear them, and was struck by the car,  
pushed ahead of it for about 30 feet and  
then ran over. The engine was stopped  
and the crew ran back to where Claypool  
was lying. He was still conscious. The  
patrol wagon was called and the injured  
man was taken to the police headquarters  
where he received all the care possible  
from Drs. Wilhelm and Dixon. Clay-  
pool was very badly hurt. The hair was  
all rubbed off the left side of his head, his  
right arm torn almost completely from  
the socket and six or seven inches of the  
bone in his right arm above the elbow  
was broken off from the rest of the bone  
and only hung by a shred of flesh. His  
face was badly cut and his right leg was  
crushed and about half the thickness of  
the bone below the knee was broken out.  
The injured man died about 6 o'clock

## BOB BAKER CRIPPLED.

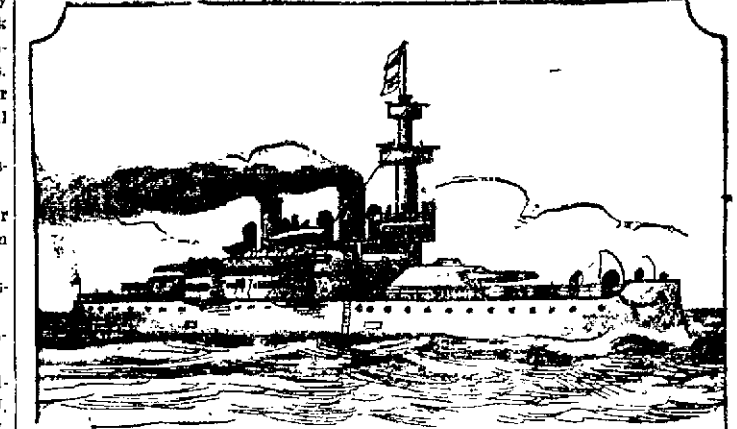
Left Leg Amputated Below the Knee  
—Caught by a Car.

Robert N. Baker, who has been in the  
employ of the Pacific Express company  
for many years, met with a shocking ac-  
cident last night at 11:10 o'clock, while in  
the performance of his duties as night  
helper at the depot office. Mr. Baker  
was at a point near the eastern end of the  
platform with his truck, leading express  
matters in a car that stood on the second  
track. He heard cars moving and look-  
ing over he saw an engine approaching  
with a flat car loaded with timber, the  
same car that just ten minutes before  
had fatally injured Claypool at the Jasper  
street crossing. The car was drawn by a  
freight engine. Mr. Baker made a hur-  
ried effort to get his truck on the plat-  
form again, but in doing so his left foot  
was caught and held between the rail and  
platform edge. The engine was upon  
him and Bob threw himself forward,  
thus saving his life. The left foot was  
badly crushed by the wheels. Mr. Baker  
was taken into the express office, where  
he was attended by Dr. Parrish and Dr.  
Hontela. Later Mr. Baker was taken to  
his home, No. 404 West Decatur street,  
where the left leg was subsequently am-  
putated below the knee. Mr. Baker is  
past 60 years of age. He was resting rea-  
sonably well today.

## WOULD TURN IT BACK.

Senator Mason is Now Ready for Ac-  
tion—Danger Ahead.

Washington, March 25.—Senator Ma-  
son was one of the first to learn that the  
Spanish torpedo flotilla had left the Can-  
aries. He was in Secretary Long's office  
when the cable announcing that fact was  
received. He talked with the officials on  
this move, and later, when asked what he  
thought of this action by Spain, he said:



United States Battleship Massachusetts.

this morning and was taken to Wilcox &  
Reeve's undertaking establishment.

T. H. Claypool, brother of the deceased,  
W. G. Jones and J. P. Faris, all of Niantic,  
arrived this morning at 9:15 and went  
to the undertaking establishment where  
the body lay. The deceased was a mar-  
ried man and had two children. He was  
25 years of age. His father, D. H. Clay-  
pool, lives in Niantic, but is quite an old  
man, and did not come to see his son.

The body will be taken to Niantic this  
afternoon at 4 o'clock and the funeral  
will probably be held tomorrow at Niantic.  
The burial will be at Long Point  
cemetery, one mile south of Niantic.

### River News.

The steamer City of Decatur was found  
to be leaking badly about two weeks ago  
and shortly after and Henry Mueller put  
in the best part of a day getting her in  
shape. A few days later it was intended  
to go down the river in the steamer to  
Ca'mus lake, but when the men went  
down to the boat house to get ready to go  
they discovered another leak in the boat.  
The trip had to be postponed. Now the  
boat is in good shape, or has been and has  
made several trips down to the lake since  
the leaks were discovered and repaired.  
The highwater of the last few days, how-  
ever, have made more trouble for the  
reconstruction. As the water rose in the  
boat house, one end on the east side,  
the other on the west side, held the  
steamer down so that the water came in  
at one side and she finally filled and sank  
in the boat house, and is now two or  
three feet under water.

Ducks are reported to be very plentiful  
on the river just now. Large flocks of  
mallards were seen yesterday afternoon in  
the neighborhood of Whitmer's lake,  
about half a mile above the boat house.  
The river is still very high.

### Trying to Form a Union.

A meeting of Decatur coal miners was  
held last night for the purpose of forming  
a union, but action was deferred until  
next Thursday night.

### Arrived Yesterday.

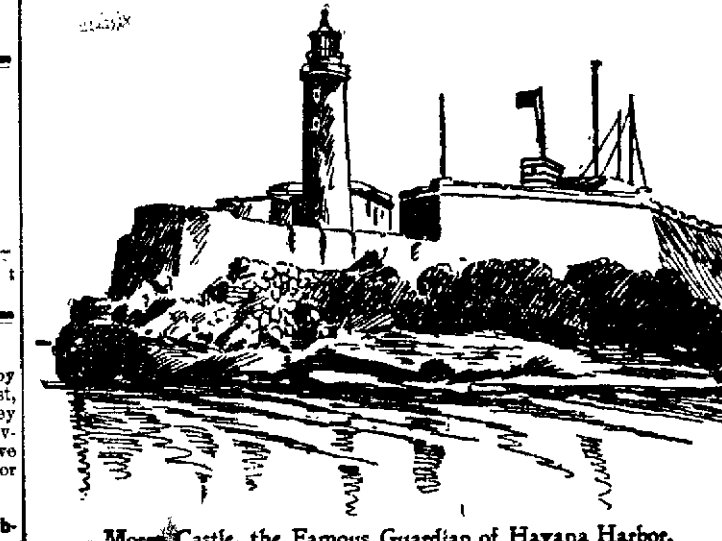
Our fresh stock of garden seeds, every-  
thing in that line can be had at Leon &  
Morris' store, 188 East Wood street.—13-  
dt

### Have You Had the Grip?

If you have, you probably need a re-  
liable medicine like Foley's Honey and  
Syrup to heal your lungs and stop the  
tackling cough incidental to the disease.  
H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hub-  
bard.

If a man is too proud to beg and too  
honest to steal the only thing left for him  
is to get married.

DR.  
PRICE'S  
CREAM  
BAKING  
POWDER  
Awarded  
Highest Honors, World's Fair  
Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair



Morro Castle, the Famous Guardian of Havana Harbor.





# ing Hats.

We are showing the new spring blocks in all dimensions in Stiff Hats. We are the celebrated "Langley" and in Blacks, Seal Browns, French a, Sable and Otter.

We are the "Long-Enquirer" crown, Sable and Pearl. Many of them w under brims, the under side being of a different color from the hat.

## Dressers

Will find much to interest them in our Hat Stock. . . . .

## NE CLOTHING CO.,

Water St., Next to Bradley Bros.

On account of our prices being so much below the market some Unions take it that these shoes are made in a prison. The following will explain itself:

PONTIAC, ILL., March 24, 1898.

TOIS, . . . . .

nty, . . . . .

AY CONCERN : . . . .

appeared before me, this 24th day of March, 1898, being duly sworn, says upon oath, that: The "Cal-shoes" known as "PONTIAC" are not made in the State Reformatory, and that the Pontiac Shoe Mfg. y convict labor in any capacity whatever.

C. E. LEGG.

sworn to before me this . . . . . 1898.

Hoover, Notary Public.

RS' SHOE STORE,

Sole Agents.

## GREATEST IN AMERICA.

William M. Everts the First Lawyer on This Continent.

Not a Specialist, But at Home in All Branches of Law—His Position as an Orator and His Inspired Wit.

As a lawyer William M. Everts is easily the first on this continent. This, with Henry O'Connor, in the Midland Monthly, has long been conceded by the profession everywhere, except in the big city where he lives, where there have always been a few men envious of his success and fame.

The records of the court of appeals of New York and of the circuit and the supreme courts of the United States are filled by his masterly professional efforts and wonderful successes.

He is the essence of the word a specialist. We say "a great commercial lawyer," "a great criminal lawyer," or "a great constitutional lawyer." He is simply a great lawyer in all these branches of the law, and on every question that may arise under any of them, in either the "small" court or the court of last resort up to the supreme court of the United States; and his wonderful power and wisdom as an international lawyer was demonstrated to the world by his irresistible logic and eloquence in the conduct of the American case before the Geneva tribunal in 1892.

He came to the bar early, when he was only about 22 years old, but at a time when the United States was filled with learned and brilliant lawyers. In the south Sargent S. Prentiss, Badger, Butler, May, Crittenden and Clay; in New England, Webster, Rufus Chase, Phelps, of Vermont, whom Daniel Webster pronounced the best lawyer he ever met; and Ohio, then the west, with an array of legal talent that might challenge the world; in the center of the state such men as old Tom Blair and Allen G. Thurman, and Cincinnati, with a galaxy of its own rivaling the great cities of the country and the world—Chase, Walker, Storer, Fox,



WILLIAM MAXWELL EVERTS.  
(Said to be America's Foremost Lawyer.)

Grasbeck, Spencer, both the Pughs, and many others; New York and Philadelphia, then as now, filled with great lawyers. It was on such a field that young Everts began the battle of his life. He has lived to get not only to the front, but to the top.

As an orator it is more difficult to give Everts his true position. His style was his own, and although by no means the equal I think he is more like Wendell Phillips in style and manner than he is like any other of our great American orators.

The body of Everts' speeches is argument. His syllogism is so plain from unbroken logic that a child can make the deduction. It is irresistible.

As secretary of state, Everts wanted to be called conservative, but with the sternest sense of justice, always a stickler for the personal rights of American citizens at home and abroad. In the tricky small arts of diplomacy, Everts, perhaps, would not be called an expert or skillful diplomatist, but in the discussion of great international questions and broad statesmanship he told his own, and more, with the best of them.

His wit is almost inspired. Like a man's first love the goddess is ever present with him, never deserting him. When the monetary conference met in Washington, in 1878 I think, it became the duty of the secretary of state to pay them some social as well as political attention. Everts, of course, took them all down to Mount Vernon to see the home and tomb of Washington. The last took them up the little river spanned by the natural bridge. A tradition of the neighborhood tells the story that Washington, who was something of an athlete, once threw a silver dollar over the bridge from about where the party then stood. All expressed astonishment at the feat of the father of the country. Some tried with bits of stone. All failed, of course. Some even ventured to express a doubt. "Oh, well, gentlemen," said Everts, "you must remember that a dollar went a great deal farther in those days than it does now."

An Old Belief Verified.

The old belief held by farmers that a really cold winter is followed by an abundance of insect pests, but that an irregular winter with a temperature alternately high and low kills off the pests has substantial ground to rest upon according to some experiments made by Dr. A. M. Read in a cold storage

establishment at Washington. It was found that the alternation of a low temperature, say 18 degrees Fahrenheit, with a comparatively high one, say 40 to 50 degrees Fahrenheit, invariably killed the larvae of certain injurious insects, although they were not injured by continuous exposure to the lower temperature.

New Unshion Horseshoes.  
A cushion horseshoe just placed on the market has flanges formed in a pad to surround the shoe, with air chambers extending around the pad in position to bear against the shoe and support the horse's weight.

LAW OF MOSES STILL RULES.

An Odd London Court Is Which Many Disputes Are Settled.

Hidden away in a corner of St. James place—a cul de sac in the east end—stands a curious old red brick building, the large open door of which conceals the quaintest and most impressive fragment of King Solomon's wisdom that it is possible to imagine. There it is that the Jews of England bring their numerous troubles and grievances to be decided according to the laws that have held sway for the last 5,000 years—laws which, even to this day, bind one of this earth's most emotional people.

Twice a week, Dr. Adler, the chief rabbi of the English Jews, in conjunction with his two assistants, or to be more correct Dayanim, hold a court, at which everything relating to the Jewish laws is settled free of charge. This court is called the "Beth Din," which, being translated, means "house of judgment," and is one of the many that are held in all parts of the world where the Jews have settled.

These courts found their origin with Moses, and in his time were governed and conducted in much the same manner as the one which is now presided over by the chief rabbi and his assessors.

In a large room on the first floor those seeking advice and judgment assemble—sometimes to the number of 200—in a comfortable waiting-room, here to think over their complaints and excuses before a cheerful fire. The looker takes down their names and respective charges, and then proceeds to usher them, in their proper turn, before the court sitting upstairs.

To this courtroom you go, and there find the revered doctor seated in the center, supported on either side by his two colleagues. Jurors, counsel and warders are conspicuous by their absence, while the solemn silence of the room occupied by these patriarchal fathers gradually melts out the modern affect and leaves before the mind's eye a reminiscent vision of the robed priests who years ago dispensed justice under similar laws to those under which it is now being dispensed. No unnecessary noise is made—the evidence is heard, the defense is made, the litigants retire, the judges consult, and, in an incredibly short time, the decision is given. Everything is carried on with as much harmony and decorum as possible; there are no "spicy" details indulged in, and as each and all disputes are heard in camera, no one goes to the bench but otherwise than on the strictest "business."

Anything and everything lies in the jurisdiction of this court, provided that it be not criminal. Religious and ritual questions are settled, dietary laws explained, slayers of meat examined, and butchers licensed. The supervisors of the passover bread are appointed, and, in fact, any case from debt to breach of promise, from assault to libel and slander, is adjudicated upon.

Though the bath din gives some weighty verdicts, its decisions are not legal, and as such cannot be enforced. Indeed, the only thing the litigants have to do is to sign a paper stating that they are willing to abide by the judgment given. But so fair, so honorable and so perfectly just are these verdicts that over 95 per cent. of them are accepted as final, and are, moreover, observed to the very letter.

But the principal function of the court is to tender advice in difficulties of all kinds. Widows who have lost their breadwinners and who crave a recommendation to have their children reared in the Jews' hospital at Norwood; deserted wives whose husbands have fled to the "states," not from malice, but in quest of employment; youths who desire an introduction to some employer where they will not be called upon to desecrate their Sabbath; immigrants who have discovered, with bitter disappointment, that the streets of London are not paved with gold and who wish to be sent back to their native country, all come. Effective counsel is given to them, and the greater number of the applicants are referred to the active and beneficent Jewish board of guardians in Wigmore street.

As may well be imagined, the head of such a court must have a thorough knowledge of human nature, a sympathetic bond in common with his fellow men, and, by no means least important, must be a competent linguist, qualifications which Dr. Adler possesses in an eminent degree.—J. Malcolm Fraser, in Louisville Courier-Journal.

Don't think blank leaves are desirable in the volume of business.

Masked balls are the only kind that goes in a prohibition town.

The more people talk back the better the auctioneer likes it.

**GAIL BORDEN**  
**EAGLE BRAND**  
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TAKE NO SUBSTITUTE FOR THE "EAGLE BRAND" THOUSANDS OF MOTHERS TESTIFY TO ITS SUPERIORITY.

"INFANT HEALTH" SENT FREE. NEW YORK CONDENSED MILK CO. N.Y.

## DOG SHOW OPEN

Stunning Street Parade All Over Town To-Day.

## AN EXCITING RED FOX CHASE

Thousands Out to Witness the Work of the Dogs—Manager Van Hall in His Glory—Show at Abbott's Hall.

The first annual dog show in this city is now in full blast. About 175 canines are on exhibition. Twenty-one arrived this noon from Galva, Ill. Probably 200 dogs will be on exhibition by tonight. The attendance is fairly good so far.

Signs have been put up in the different stalls occupied by dogs some of which read: "This a Cross Dog," and others, "This is a Kind Dog, You May Pet Him." There are some very handsome animals on exhibition. Among other breeds represented are Cuban bloodhounds, bull dogs and pugs, poodles, black pugs, St. Bernard, New Foundland, fox hounds, English Mastiff, Water Spaniels, spitz, Irish setters, grey hounds. The Kristal Kandy Kitchen will furnish ham bones to feed the dogs. A number of exhibitors are present at the show today. The huge St. Bernards and English Mastiffs are attracting most of the attention of the spectators. One of the St. Bernards weighs 200 pounds. A bull female with five puppies in an enclosed cage is also a favorite. The pups are some of them milk white and others spotted with brown. The mother is pure white, and a regular bench legged bull. A pure white poodle, which barks the whole time to attract attention to itself, is also a beauty. Roy Bendure will have his blood hounds on exhibition.

## THE FOX CHASE.

The fox chase created more excitement than anything has since the firemen's tournament. There was a striking parade this morning led by Wisner, bugler for Co. H, followed by the Monitor band. After the band came an open carriage in which were Mr. Van Hall and Tom Lee, the jade stone cutter. At the rear of the parade was a small spring wagon very much like the circus companies carry monkeys over the country in which were the Dingman hounds. From his carriage Mr. Van Hall then announced the fox chase for 1:30 p. m.

Five hundred people were congregated around the Abbott hall at 1 o'clock today. They had been gathering ever since 10 o'clock. All showed the keenest interest in the chase. Mr. Van Hall came out, and announced from the carriage that the chase would take place by permission of the police from their headquarters. It was soon after announced that the fox had escaped, but this was a mistake. The crowd was then led over to the police headquarters by the Monitor band, where at 1:40 Casey Van Hall started his horse at a mad gallop dragging the fox. Ten minutes later the hounds were started. They went south.

There were several thousand people between the court house and Decatur street when the hounds were turned loose at 2 p. m. Casey Van Hall, dragging the fox after him, from his horse, on arriving at the Madison bridge, stopped his horse, a number of bicyclists, who also ran, came p and they waited for the hounds to come up. Earl Black's hound was the first one on the scene, and got the fox.

Law Foster's hounds and Earl Black's were the only ones which ran, three others belonging to Hughey Daugherty, did not get started.

## MARKETS.

CHICAGO, ILL., March 25.					
Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest.
May	1.03	1.04	1.02	1.04	1.02
July	.82 1/2	.82 3/4	.81 3/4	.82 1/2	.82 1/2
Sept.	.64 1/2	.64 3/4	.63 3/4	.64 1/2	.64 1/2
Oct.	.54 1/2	.54 3/4	.53 3/4	.54 1/2	.54 1/2
Nov.	.44 1/2	.44 3/4	.43 3/4	.44 1/2	.44 1/2
Dec.	.34 1/2	.34 3/4	.33 3/4	.34 1/2	.34 1/2
Jan.	.24 1/2	.24 3/4	.23 3/4	.24 1/2	.24 1/2
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## AN ORDINANCE

Providing for Frear Stone Sidewalks.  
Be it Ordained By the City Council of  
the City of Decatur, Illinois:

SECTION 1. That the sidewalks as described  
and located by this ordinance be constructed in  
the City of Decatur, Illinois, in accordance with  
the provisions hereinafter set forth.

SEC. 2. All sidewalks herein provided for shall  
extend from the property line to the curb line  
on the side of the street where said sidewalks  
are by this ordinance located. Said sidewalks  
shall be constructed in the respective places as  
follows, to-wit:

Upon the south side of East Main street from  
the east line of Lincoln square east to the  
west curb line on South Water street; on the  
south side of East Main street from the east  
curb line on State street west to the west curb  
line on Franklin street; on the north side of  
East Main street from the west curb line on  
Franklin street west to the east curb line on  
State street; on the north side of East Main  
street from the east curb line on State street  
east to the east curb line on North Water  
street west to a point 40 feet east of the alley  
between Water and Merchant streets; on the  
west side of North Water street from the west  
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### HANAN'S SHOES

Set the Fashion—they do  
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Neat, Dressed and Durable.

These points are characteristic of  
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nently a practical shoe, since it feels  
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### Saturday and Monday...

3c for Coat's Spool Cotton. Limit,  
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Early Spring Styles in MIL-

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American Lady,  
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### LOCAL NEWS.

A pretty girl says the power of the  
press is usually waisted.

Davis' 15c delivery. Cab, 25c.

Smoke the Queen, manufactured by  
Hedrick & Kneisk. —15c

Smoke the Little J, 5-cent cigar, made  
by Jacob Kook.

The busts of the late Dr. William A.  
Barnes and of ex-Governor Olmsted, fash-

ioned by Leonard Cronelle, the local  
sculptor, are now at the library.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of  
bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Mrs. C. H. Childs accompanied by her  
two children, has gone to Sandusky,  
Ohio, to make her home with her mother.

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guar-

anteed to contain no artificial flavor.

Dunlap & Co's Spring Styles for  
1898 now on sale at Hohon, Mc-

Reynolds & Co. Feb 25-dtf

Moore county has 60 patients to be  
placed in the state asylum at Jackso-

ville. Sheriff Nicholson will assist in the  
work of transferring the colony from the

Kankakee asylum.

Do you want plastering done. If so  
telephone 639, new phone. Decatur Hard

Plaster Co. Perry & Oren. —5-dtf

Blue Grass and La Fayette Park mix-

ture, just the thing for your lawns. Se-

lected stock garden and flower seeds, in  
bulk and packages. J. M. Hughes &

Co., first door south of opera house. —21tf

At 223 North Main street the largest  
stock of fresh bulk Garden Seed; also

the greatest assortment of Flower  
Seeds ever brought to Decatur. Sweet

Pas and Nasturtiums in bulk. Durfee  
& Culp. feb 9-dtf

Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on  
any goods. Collateral, best rates.

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Go to Spencer & Lehnman's corner of  
Wood and Main streets, for fine and me-

dium grade buggies, surreys, phaetons,  
road wagons, roadsters, spring wagons,

farm wagons. —mi-d&wt

Dr. Sanders yesterday afternoon per-

formed an operation on Frankie, little

son of William Cameron, living at the cor-

ner of Oakland avenue and Decatur

street. The child had been having much

trouble with his eye, and the operation

did much toward relieving him.

Rev. E. B. Randie will occupy the pul-

pit of the First M. E. church Sunday

morning and evening. Morning subject,

"The Philosophy of Christ's Advent into

the World"; evening subject, "The Mode

of Water Baptism Determined by its Spir-

itual Significance." All are cordially in-

ited to attend these services.

On Thursday the body of William Mc-

Annin, drowned in Marrowbone Creek,

near Bethany on Tuesday, was found in

a pile of driftwood. Mrs. William Lat-

shaw of this city, mother of the deceased,

was told to go to the funeral which

was held Thursday evening.

At the meeting of the Art and Litera-

ture division of the Woman's club yester-

day afternoon Mrs. Stutzenberger review-

ed Kipling's story of "Captain Courage-

us" in a very interesting manner. Mrs.

Hokey read a paper on the Royal Acad-

emy, giving the history and many other

interesting facts regarding this great

English art center. Miss Drake's paper

on "American Porcelain," was very

much enjoyed by the class. Next Thurs-

day will be given to current items, in-

stead of magazines, which will be a lead-

ing innovation in the work of the class.

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**DECATUR, ILL.**

## THE MURDER TRIAL

Cross examination by Mr. Leforgee—  
Last night I could have seen a man 100  
feet distant. My best opinion is that on  
the night of the murder I could have recog-  
nized which way a man was running  
if he was 100 feet away.

On the night of the murder I don't  
know where my daughters had been. I  
have no recollection of seeing my daugh-  
ters for an hour before the shooting, but  
heard them talking. Just as I went in I  
hear them talking. Don't remember of  
Bena passing through the store and mak-

ing any remarks. Don't remember of  
seeing either of my daughters coming in.

Bena told me after the shooting that the  
man had spoken to her. When the shot  
was fired I was leaning up against the

tree. Heard the shot and knew that a  
man had been shot and went for the pur-

pose of seeing what I could. I was look-

ing ahead but did not see any man run

out of Franklin street around the Grin-

dol corner. I didn't know the man whom

I asked about the women. Know he was

a stranger. Could see him well enough

to see that he was a stranger, but couldn't

see the women well enough to recognize

them.

JOHN MCCOY.

Examined by Mr. Johns—Am a prac-

ticing lawyer, but during July in 1899

was working temporarily as a reporter on

the Republican. Heard the shot and run

down to where the shooting occurred. A

number of matches were struck. Did not

know Mat McKinley. Saw some friends

and others whose names I afterward

learned. Saw young Smith and his

mother, Mrs. Smith. Saw Mrs. Griffith

but did not know her or Mrs. Smith until

afterward. Remember of seeing Ed Mc-

Donald, Joe Maury, Ed Leach. Was hard

to recognize people at any distance that

night. The next morning I went to the

Dauer house and saw one of the young

girls of the family. Talked with all of

the family. A man there that night

whom I afterward learned was Barney

McKinley.

Cross examined by Mr. Johns—My

office was on Water street at the intersec-

tion of South Park. Ran rather fast to

the shooting. While I was in the crowd

looked around and saw a number of per-

sons. My attention was directed to Bar-

ney McKinley because he was talking to

Mat McKinley. Saw Joe Maury there.

He was asking how it happened. Had

a conversation with Maury as we stood

out on the boulevard. Talked to him

with a view of obtaining information.

WILLIAM L. OAKES.

Examined by Mr. Johns—Live in Deca-

tur. Remember the night of the killing

of Mat McKinley. My recollection is

that the night was dark. Wouldn't have

been able to recognize a man at a distance

of 10 or 12 feet.

Cross examined by Mr. Crea—Don't re-

member whether there was a new moon

or not.

WILLIAM FLETCHER.

Was recalled for further cross examina-

tion by Mr. Leforgee as follows: Did not

say to Polly Vest that I was with Chap-

man in the bakery on the night Mat Mc-

Kinley was murdered and two men passed

and one said: "I have killed him and

I am glad of it," and that I said one of

the men was Maury. Did not say this in

the second saloon from the Wabash rail-

road on Water street. Had a conversation

with Vest after the two men but did not

make that statement. Might have said

that one of the men who passed said

he had done something but did not say

the man alluded to killing. Did not say

to Leslie Burch in the bakery that the

two men passed and one said he had kill-

ed a man and that one of the men was

Maury. W. R. Chapman did not say

that he would take a shot at the men if

they didn't stop bragging and don't re-

member of telling him that he had better

not get in trouble as they were both bad

men, one being Jasper Allen, a drunken

printer, and the other Maury. Know

Mr. Rowe, who traveled for the Decatur

Cracker company. (The attorney asked

the witness if he had made such state-

ments to Mr. Rowe and the witness said

he did not.)

GEORGE TUCKER.

Examined by Mr. Johns—Live at Tay-

lorville but reside in Decatur in July,

1899. John Vanquash is my half

brother-in-law. On the night of the 3rd

of July I came up town with John Van-

quash. We walked on the east side of

Franklin street from Wood to Main street.

We didn't meet four young girls. Didn't

meet Mrs. Smith or Mrs. Griffith. Know

Jack Faunce but did not meet him. Didn't

hear the shot. We were on East

Main street near State street when some-

one ran along and told us a man had been

shot.

Cross examined by Mr. Leforgee—As

far as I remember don't remember whether

or not there was a man by the barn.

Don't know what Vanquash saw. He

might have seen a man he thought to be

drunk leaping against the barn and wouldn't

attempt to tell the jury what

Vanquash saw.

Mr. Leforgee—Are you the Tucker who